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We are desired to publish the following piece from DUNLAP's Pennsylvania Packet, *dated March* 20.

THROUGH the channel of your paper, I take the liberty of remarking on a passage in a pamphlet just come into my hands, entituled, *Observations on the American revolution, published according to a resolution of Congress, by their committee.* The Gentlemen who principally, if not wholly conducted this work, were Governeur Morris, Esq; delegate from the state of New York, and W. H. Drayton, Esq; late delegate from South Carolina; and of those two Mr. Morris had the chief share. Consequently, the honours or errours it contain, are claimable by, or chargeable on, the compilers and conductors only.

The work consists of a collection of the principal state papers, which are connected with the rise and progress of the present revolution, and are arranged in the following order:

A part of the proceedings of Congress in 1774. The motion, commonly called Lord North's conciliatory motion, in 1775, and the resolution of congress thereon. A paper delivered to Congress by a British emissary. Resolutions of Congress respecting the defence of New York. Declaratory reasons of Congress for taking up arms, dated July 6th, 1775. Petition of Congress to the King of England, July 8th, 1775. Address to the people of Great Britain, July 8th, 1775, Resolutions of Congress, for granting commissions to privateers, of November 25th, 1775, and March 23d, 1776. Resolution of Congress recommending the taking up new Governments, May 15th, 1776. Declaration of Independence, July 4th, 1776. Conference on Staten Island with Lord Howe, reported September 17th, by the committee of Congress appointed on that business. Draught of the bills of the British Parliament received by Congress at York town April the 21st, 1778, and the resolutions of Congress thereon, April 22d, 1778. Address of Congress to the people of America, May 4th, 1778. Collection of letters, &c. &c. which passed between Congress and the British commissioners. The work closes with the proclamation and manifesto of the British commissioners, dated New York, October 3d, 1778, and the manifesto of Congress in answer thereto, October 30th, 1778. The greatest part, if not the whole, of those publications, have at different times, appeared in most of the newspapers on the continent.

The above making up the substance of the work, the only thing that is new in it is the historical connection by which the several declarations, resolutions, &c. are formed into a continued chain, and in this part there is an evident defect amounting to injustice.

It cannot be supposed that the historical part should be compleat in so short a compass, but that is no reason it should be unjust in the gross; and as Mr. Morris and Mr. Drayton are the only persons accountable for the defect I shall here take notice of, to them only, I address these remarks.

The reader, by casting his eye on the arrangement of papers in the order in which I have placed them, which is the order they stand in in the pamphlet, will see there is a skip (a flying over I may call it) from the conference on Staten Island, September 1776, to the receipt of the British bills at York town, April 21st, 1778. I shall give the paragraph entire (for there is but one) which unites those two events so widely distant in time, and, on the part of the enemy, so different a complexion.

Page 61. "From this moment," that is, from the conference on Staten Island, "the war raged with the utmost violence, and was prosecuted by the enemy with unabated vigour and barbarity. To recite the numerous instances in which their faith solemnly pledged, hath been broken, would be tedious and perhaps useless: Victory declared herself for a long time in favour of the superiour numbers and superiour discipline, and their insolence was equal to their success. Unable to comprehend the whole of the object they had undertaken, and overjoyed at the acquisition of the minuter parts, already the needy, greedy parasites, of a voluptuous court had, in imagination, carved out our possessions among them, and wantoned in the prospect of enjoying the fruits of our laborious industry. Every thing, therefore, which looked like conciliation, was treated as a concession flowing from feebleness of soul. The spirit of despotism, flushed with hope and inured to guilt, turned a hard, unfeeling eye, upon the miseries of human nature, and directed, well pleased, the storm of vengeance on the head of freedom. *But that full tide of success which had carried their expectations so high, began to ebb away: The gallant army, commanded by Burgoyne, checked by impediments which nature had thrown in his course,* at length submitted, notwithstanding the efforts of the accomplished General, to the determined bravery of their foes. The splendour of our success in that quarter called the attention of Europe to our fortitude and perseverance. The weight and importance of a country which could resist the astonishing efforts made by Great Britain, were evident to the most careless observation. The acknowledgment of our Independence became therefore an object of serious deliberation. Awakened from their dream of glory to a view of their danger, the Ministry of England determined, if possible, to recover what they had wantonly thrown away."

On the 21st day of April, 1778, the Congress, then sitting at York town, received a letter from the General inclosing a printed paper from Philadelphia to the following effect: Draught of a bill for declaring the intentions of the Parliament of Great Britain, &c. &c. &c.

I have marked the exceptionable parts in italicks. The first, which is immaterial to the history, though of some moment to the writer, is a false rhetorical figure, for "*hard* and *unfeeling*" are not, in any case, properties of the eye, but sentimentally, of the heart. A hard unfeeling heart, a deaf ear, and a scornful eye, are the epithets expressive of possible qualities in the parts they are applied to: But according to this Gentleman's derangment of them, he might as well say, a scornful ear or a deaf eye. A man must be little acquainted with feelings, not to know which is their place of residence.

As the sense of the reader would have supplied the above defect in the writer, I should not have gone out of my way to have made the remark, had it been in any other paragraph than that which I have quoted, on account of a more important inattention.

The insolence of the enemy after the engagement on Long Island, and their barbarity after taking fort Washington, were far greater than their vigour at any one time of that campaign. I speak this from better knowledge than either Mr. Morris or Mr. Drayton can have, as I was out with the army from the first marching of the associators early in August, and after their return was with General Green at fort Lee till the evacuation, and continued with the army till after passing the Delaware on the 8th of December. I had began the first number of the Crisis while on the retreat at Newark, with a design of publishing it in the Jerseys, as it was General Washington's intention to have made a stand at Newark, could he have been timely reinforced, instead of which, near half the army left him at that place, or soon after, their time being out.

To use a plain phrase, the enemy were then masters of the field, and had it in their power to carry every thing before them. "Flushed with hope and inured to guilt," and in full expectation of conquest, their confidence betrayed them into carelessness, and enabled General Washington to defeat them by a spirited and judicious improvement of their neglects: And I ask Mr. Morris and Mr. Drayton, *when it was* that their, the enemy's, "*full tide of success began to ebb away?*" Truth will, and history ought to say, that it turned at Trenton, and was additionally impelled by the subsequent, and most masterly stroke at Princeton. These two actions disabled and laid the enemy dormant for more than six months afterwards; and by throwing a spirit of joy into the continent, gave life and vigour to the recruiting service for the next campaign. They were hard bought victories, under every disadvantage of winter and misfortune. But the tide, once turned went on; and the conquest of Burgoyne was, properly speaking, the high water mark of our successes.

Why Mr. Morris and Mr. Drayton have, in utter silence, passed over the affairs of Trenton and Princeton, and taken a flight from Staten Island to Saratoga, I cannot conceive. As historians they have reversed the line of facts, and as writers they have not made the most of their metaphor; for had they given honour where it was justly due, and shewn where the tide began to turn in our favour, it would have enabled them to have shown its full increase in the reduction of Burgoyne, where they have only placed its beginning.

The small remains of the army at that time continued with General Washington, and the citizens of this state and of Jersey, who turned out to repel the torrent which threatened destruction to America, must feel themselves injured by such a partial representation, published under the authority of a committee of Congress. Their services are done away, as if they had never been; and an omission, amounting to oblivion, stands as a contradiction to the fact. This could not unintentionally happen, as the natural order both of time and circumstances threw themselves in their way, and half a page, judiciously compiled, would have united the several links of the chain. I wonder that the metaphor of a tide should not revive in Mr. Drayton an idea of its progress; as he has, I am told, been an *Admiral*—of the *yellow* I suppose.

But this is not the only injustice in the paragraph I have quoted. The compilers say, that, "the gallant army commanded by Burgoyne, "checked by impediments *which nature had thrown in his course*, at "length submitted, notwithstanding the efforts of their accomplished "General, to the determined bravery of their foes." I

The conquest at Bennington by General Starke, which laid the foundation of Burgoyne's defeat, is here unjustly buried under a general description of *impediments which nature threw in his course.*

There is no part in the pamphlet, where half a dozen pages might have been employed to more honour and advantage, than in concisely setting forth the principal circumstances which passed between the conference on Staten Island and the arrival of the draughts of the British bills at York town; for the want of which, the circumstantial connection is lost, and that which is omitted, as well as that which is told, have an appearance of injustice.

Mr. Morris and Mr. Drayton have each of them been so exceedingly industrious in supporting Mr. Deane's impositions, that they seem not to have had time to attend any other kind of duty, and as, I believe, Mr. Deane is now looked on by half that House as a dishonest man, and the other half dare not support him, it will become those two Gentlemen to shew on what grounds they have abetted him. The suspicions against Mr. Deane are now too strong to be suffocated, and the evidence too full to be rejected or explained away, and he can but perceive that his character is every day sinking with the publick. That he negociated a preferred present into a purchase, and either stole, or was privy to the stealing the despatches to cover the imposition, are circumstances which I have no reason to disbelieve.

COMMON SENSE.

P. S. As the pamphlet I have referred to is sent to all the states, the printers in each will do an act of justice to those whose merits are in that performance so greatly neglected, by inserting this piece in their papers.

C——S——.

ST. JOHNS (*Antigua*) MARCH 31.

Extract of a letter from St. Lucia, *to a Gentleman in this island, dated March* 19, 1779.

"It is here that Admiral Byron's squadron lies, which consists of 23 line of battle, 3 fifty gun ships, and some frigates and sloops; 12 of the first are kept constantly cruising betwixt this and Martinique, to observe the motions of the French, whose fleet now consists of 19 sail of the line, exclusive of frigates. The Count D'Estaing has been reinforced with 7 sail under the command of Monsieur de Gras, which Gentleman, we are told, has superseded the Count in the command; let this be as it will, they yesterday felt bold, and came out of their strong hold of Fort Royal; about 15 sail of them I counted, having, for that purpose, posted myself on an eminence where I could clearly distinguish their movements. Admiral Byron gave the signal for his ships to slip which they all did before 10 o'clock; at about 12 the French fleet formed a line abreast to leeward, and seemed inclinable for action, but upon the English fleets forming their line also, and to windward, the Monsieurs, according to their usual pusilanimity, broke their line, and appeared to me to be running, upon which our fleet gave chace, but I am fearful, as the French had the advantage of the land, being then close abreast of Fort Royal, they wisely entered it, though as our fleet has not yet returned, I am in hopes that they have prevented some of them from getting in, by cutting them off the island and have continued the chace to leeward.

PHILADELPHIA, MARCH 31.

FRIDAY last were brought prisoners to this city, a midshipman and 6 seamen belonging to the frigate Delaware, who informs, that the Delaware, Richmond and Spinx, were the beginning of this month cruising in the bay of Chesapeake; that on the 14th a fleet of six or eight vessels come down, out of which they took the Friendship, commanded by a Frenchman from Baltimore for Marsailles, with 270 hhds. of tobacco, and the snow Polly, Capt. ——, from Alexandria for Amsterdam, aboard of which the above prisoners were put to navigate her to New York; but in the evening of the 21st instant being off Egg Harbour, in company with the Delaware, Spinx, and a ship full of soldiers, from Halifax for New York, the wind came on to blow very hard, which drove the above snow on shore on Brigantine Beach, where the vessel and cargo will, in all probability be saved: The people took to their boat, and got safe to the beach.—The above ship from Halifax was also drove on Flat Beach, about the same time with the snow; she proves to be the ship Mermaid, from Halifax to New York, with about 170 Scotch soldiers on board, who, with women and sailors, amounted to about 200 souls, and our accounts say, that only 45 out of that number are saved, the remainder perished. It is farther said, the ship had 30,000l. in specie on board, which is not yet found. The Capt. of the ship is among those who perished; there are several land officers among those who are saved.

Extract of a letter from Brigadier General Maxwell, *dated* Elizabethtown, *March* 28, 1779.

"Yesterday and the day before about 28 sail came into the Hook, mostly transports from England. At the same time landed at New York, a Hessian Colonel with between 3 and 400 English troops from Halifax. General Clinton is returned to New York, and it is reported that their expedition to the eastward has failed, as they alledge owing to the storm, but more likely (if true) that they have found the troops alarmed that way. There is no account of the British troops or vessels being returned yet; they may be towards the east end of Long Island.

"I am informed that Admiral Gambier is on the outside of the east end of Long Island, with 6 or 7 ships and frigates; his design, it is said, is for New London, to take our vessels there.

"Their troops to the southward, it is said, are very sickly. A report in New York says, that their accounts from the West Indies are bad; that General Grant is beat by the French."

Fourteen transports out of the 28 which had sailed to the east end of Long Island, supposed to convey a number of troops from thence on an expedition to New London, to destroy several vessels in that harbour, were cast away on Fisher's island, in the sound off Stonington, and it was expected the greatest part of them would be lost. It is said that Sir Henry Clinton had returned to New York from the failure of this expedition, which had been some time in agitation.

A Gentleman from the eastward informs us, that last Wednesday night a party of armed tories went to the house of the Hon. Robert Ogden, Esq; in Suffex county, New Jersey, and robbed him of hard money and plate to the amount of 5000l.

WILLIAMSBURG, APRIL 16.

THE sloop Comet, Capt. Hews, from Virginia for St. Eustatia, with tobacco and staves. Sloop Swift, Capt. Gold, from Baltimore bound for St. Eustatia, with tobacco, are taken and carried into New York.

The Dove, Capt. Haywood, the Ranger, Capt. Hinton, the St. Tammany, Capt. Cuningham, the————, Capt. Baine, the————, Capt. Selden, from St. Eustatia, and a large French ship, mounting 20 guns, from Hispaniola, are safe arrived in James river, with valuable cargoes. In the Dove, came passenger, Jonathan Loring Austin, Esq; of Boston, the Gentleman who carried to France, the important news of the surrender of General Burgoyne and his army.

This day arrived in town, Count Pulaski, with his retinue, &c. on their way to the southward.

MARRIAGES] Mr. FRANCIS DANDRIDGE of King William, to the amiable Miss LUCY WEBB, of New Kent.

Capt. ADDISON LEWIS of the light horse to Miss SUKEY FLEMING, a very amiable young Lady.

DEATHS] At Eltham in New Kent, Mrs. ELIZABETH DAWSON, relict of the late Rev. and Hon. William Dawson, in the 70th year of her age.

Mr. ALEXANDER PURDIE, of this city (printer to the the commonwealth) who endured a tedious and painful illness with a Christian fortitude. His death is much regretted, as he was a tender husband, indulgent parent, and a kind master.

On Sunday last was intered in the church yard of this city, the remains of Mr. ARCHIBALD WILLIAMSON, a native of North Britain, who has resided here a few years; he possessed so much benevolence and goodness of heart, that he gained the universal good will and esteem of the small circle of his acquaintances. The fraternity of free and accepted masons attended his corps to the grave in the usual form of procession, thereby manifesting the respect due to the memory of a deceased worthy brother.

☞ To be sold at this printing office, Dr. *Hammond's* ANTIMONIAL ESSENCE, do. strong SPECIFIC PILLS with directions.

Extract of an act intitled An act for raising a supply of money for publick exigencies.

EVERY naval officer shall, half yearly, on the 25th day of *April* and *October*, render an account upon oath to the publick Treasurer, of all duties by him received pursuant to this act, in the preceding half year, and pay the money for such duties, deducting five *per centum* for the same. And the clerk of each county or corporation court, shall on the same days, half yearly, render an account upon oath to the said Treasurer, of all taxes by him received for marriage and ordinary licences, and for duty upon tobacco exported by land in the preceding half year, and pay the money for such taxes, deducting five *per cent.* for the same. And every naval officer or clerk of a court failing to render such account, shall forfeit and pay the sum of five hundred pounds for every offence.

To be SOLD *for ready money, before Mr.* Bradley's *door in* Petersburg, *on* Tuesday *the 18th day of* May,

TWO hundred and seventy five acres of LAND, a small distance from *Petersburg*, lying on the *Rowanty* road, and partly bounded by *Warwick* swamp, belonging to the estate of Major *Edmund B. Dickinson*, deceased, a good title will be made by

(‖) ROBERT NICOLSON, Adm.

WILLIAMSBURG, *April* 16, 1779.

To be SOLD *to the highest bidder for ready money, before the* Raleigh *door in this city, on* Monday *the 26th instant* (April) *at 5 o'clock in the afternoon,*

ABOUT seventy five acres of LAND a little below this city, adjoining the lands of Doctor *Galt* and Mr. *Humphrey Harwood*, very proper and convenient for pasturage: It will be sold in lots as it stands inclosed.—At the same time will be sold, for ready money (if not disposed of by private contract before) the tenement at present occupied by Mr. *Philip Moody*, opposite the tanyard.

MATTHEW PEARSON.

WILLIAMSBURG, *April* 16, 1779.

I WILL give extraordinary wages to a good BLACKSMITH and NAILER, that is capable of acting as foreman in my shops.

(‖) JAMES ANDERSON.

To be SOLD *for ready money, at publick auction, on* Wednesday *the 21st instant* (April) *at Capt.* Matthew Wills's, *in* Warwick *county*,

THE reversion of that valuable plantation whereon Mrs. *Mary Jones* now lives, in the said county, containing 250 acres, with very good houses, chiefly brick. (1‖) HARWOOD JONES.

To be SOLD *agreeable to the last will and testament of* Benjamin Fox, *deceased, of* James City *county, on* Thursday *the 29th instant* (April) *on the premises,*

THAT valuable ordinary whereon the said *Fox* lived, containing about 100 acres of land, within 12 miles of *Williamsburg*, and 4 of *Cartwright's* ordinary, it is esteemed the valuablest spot on that road for a tavern, the houses are commodious, convenient, and in good repair, immediate possession will be given the purchaser. Also will be sold at the same time and place, EIGHT likely *Virginia* born NEGROES, belonging to the said estate—All persons having demands against the said estate, is desired to apply that day for payment, and those indebted thereto, are requsted to pay off their respective balances.

JOHN BROWNE, for

(2‖) The ADMINISTRATORS.

WANTED ON FREIGHT,

SEVERAL vessels to carry coal, from the falls of *James* river to *Baltimore* and the *Head of Elk*, in the months of *April, May*, and *June*. (‖) WILLIAM RONALD.

MANCHESTER, *April* 2, 1779.

WARWICK county, *April* 10, 1779.

ALL persons that have demands against the estate of Mr. *Benjamin Wills*, deceased, are desired to bring in their accounts properly attested, as they may receive payment; and in order to enable us to comply with the above, those indebted are requested to make speedy payment, or their bonds and accounts will be immediately prosecuted without farther notice. (2‖) THE EXECUTORS.

THE annual meeting of the treasurer, trustees, and subscribers to the fund for the relief of the widows and orphans of Clergymen, will be held at *William* and *Mary* college, on *Saturday* the 8th of *May*. The trustees for the present year are, the Rev. Messr. *James M. Fontain, Henry Skyring, William Leigh, Thomas Davis, Samuel Shield*, and *Thomas Lundie*. The preachers are the Rev. *William Andrews* in the morning, and the Rev. *Henry John Burgess* in the afternoon.

JOHN BRACKEN, Treasurer.

(By order) WILLIAM PIERCE, Clerk.

TO be SOLD, on *Monday* the 10th of *May*, the very valuable LIBRARY and PHILOSOPHICAL APPARATUS of the Rev. *John Camm*, deceased, the sale will begin at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, at the house of the Rev. *John Bracken* in this city.

TAKEN up, on *Tinkers* creek, in *Botetourt* county, a bay mare about three years old, not broke, is neither docked nor branded, trots naturally, has a few gray hairs on the near shoulder, about 13 hands 3 inches high, has a film growing over her eyes, something like glass eyes. Appraised to 30l. (‖) ALEXANDER M'CLURE.

FREDERICKSBURG, *April* 3, 1779.

I GIVE this publick notice, that I have purchaſed of Mr. *John Wiggleſworth* of this county, one lot or half acre of ground ſituate in this town on the main ſtreet, formerly the property of Mr. *William Houſton*, ſadler, whereon he and his ſon *Hugh* lived and died, and now in the occupation of Mr. *John Green*, ſadler, and *Mary Sybre*. I hereby forewarn all perſons from purchaſing the ſame of any other than myſelf, having paid and advanced the ſaid *Wiggleſworth* 834l. in part of the purchaſe money, and being ready to pay him the balance agreeable to contract. I am determined to aſſert my claim; I have accordingly brought a bill in the High Court of Chancery, to compel the ſaid *Wiggleſworth*, to make me deeds for the ſaid lot with the improvements thereon. (2‖) JOHN HASELGROVE.

To be SOLD *in the city of* Williamſburg, *at the* June Oyer *court*,

MARK ANTHONY, a beautiful bay horſe, well marked, 8 years old, near 15 hands high, got by old *Mark Anthony*, and came out of a full blooded mare. He is very fleet, and his colts remarkably likely. He was purchaſed out of the eſtate of Mr. *Littlebury Hardyman*, by the Rev. *Richard Hewitt*, deceaſed, of whoſe executor I bought him.

Northampton, *April* 6. LITTETON SAVAGE.

ALL perſons having demands againſt the eſtate of the late *John Smith*, Eſq; of *Hanover*, are requeſted to apply for payment immediately, and thoſe indebted to the eſtate either on account of private dealings with the ſaid Mr. *Smith*, or to the ſtore kept by him in *Hanover* town, are alſo earneſtly deſired to pay off their reſpective balances, as the ſituation of the eſtate requires a ſpeedy ſettlement.

(2‖) WILLIAM ANDERSON.

TAKEN up, along the bay ſhore in *Northampton* county, between *Cherriſtones* and *Old Plantation*, on the 26th of *December* laſt, a ſmall decked boat, about 20 feet keel, her fore-maſt was carried away a little above her deck, and had one anchor and about 15 fathom of cable to it, which was in her hold. She had neither ſails nor rigging.

(‖) GEORGE SAVAGE.

TAKEN up, in *December* laſt in *Warwick* county, a dark bay horſe near 15 hands high, a ſmall ſtar in his forehead with a ſnip down to his noſtrils, his off fore foot has a little white, and his near hind foot white half way his leg, hanging mane and ſwitch tail. The owner may have him by applying to the ſubſcriber living in *James City* county, near *Jamestown*, on proving his property and paying charges.

DAVID BARRICK.

WILLIAMSBURG, *March* 31, 1779.

FOR ſale, beſt brown ſugar, *French* rum and coffee, by the hogſhead or bag, blue cloth ſuitable for negroes, and a few pipes of wine.—I will give caſh for bills on *France*, *Holland*, *England*, or the *Weſt India* iſlands. Any Gentlemen that have money due them, and cannot aſcertain the amount, I will take their bills conditionally, and charge no damages on proteſts. Goods will be exchanged at a moderate price, for a few hundred pounds of new feathers. SAMUEL BEALE.

FOR ſale, the land whereon the ſubſcriber now lives, in the county of *Hanover* on *Northanna* river, about ten miles from the upper end of the county, containing 1190 acres by old ſurveys. On this tract there is a conſiderable quantity of very valuable low grounds, two ten acre lots of well watered timothy meadow, good orchards, and a great variety of exceeding good buildings, moſtly new. The high land is generally very fertile, the place remarkably healthy, and not more than one third of the land cleared. For terms apply to 4§ ISAAC WINSTON.

FOR SALE,

THE plantation whereon I now live, lying in *King William* county, about four miles wide of the courthouſe, containing 332 acres, has all convenient buildings for a family, and a good apple and peach orchard. I will treat with any perſon privately, between this and *June King William* court; but ſhould I meet with no agreeable offer, it will then be expoſed to auction. Poſſeſſion will be given next *Chriſtmas*.

(‖) THOMAS ROSE

FOR ſale, at my ſhop in *Richmond* town, a very handſome phaeton, with harneſs for a pair of horſes. With the carriage may be had a fine bay gelding. Any perſon diſpoſed to purchaſe may know the price by applying to (‖) PETER MAUGEE.

FOR ſale, a tract of land containing by eſtimation 700 acres, ſituated on *Pamunkey* river, below and joining the town of *Newcaſtle*, in *Hanover* county. The land is exceeding good, part of it low grounds on the river, with a dwellinghouſe, offices, and a very fine orchard.—Alſo another tract of land, containing 400 acres, lying on *Matotoquin* creek, in the aforeſaid county four miles below *Newcaſtle*; there is a fine ſituation for a mill on this tract, on a never failing ſtream. For terms, apply to the ſubſcriber living in the upper end of *Hanover* county.

(‖) WILLIAM WADDY.

FOR SALE,

A GENTEEL new *Boſton* made chaiſe, lined with fine white broadcloth, has an exceeding good leather top with ſprings and harneſs for two horſes, inquire of the printers hereof. (2‖)

At a Court of Admiralty held in the city of Williamſburg, *the 16th day of March* 1779.

ORDERED, that the clerk of this court make proclamation in the *Virginia* Gazette, for three weeks ſucceſſively, requiring all perſons intereſted in the ſhip *Georgia* packet and cargo, lately captured by the *Bellona* privateer, againſt which, a decree of this court hath paſſed, to come and claim the ſame within the time preſcribed by law, otherwiſe the court will proceed to a final decree, and diſtribution of the money ariſing from the ſale thereof, in ſuch manner as is by law required.

§ *(A Copy)* WILLIAM RUSSEL, C. C.

KING HEROD, lately purchaſed by Mr. *Kenion Jones* and myſelf, of *Ralph Wormley*, Eſq; ſtands at my plantation in *Dinwiddie* county, and will cover by the ſeaſon at 80 dollars each mare, the money to be paid before they are put to the horſe. Good and extenſive paſturage, *gratis*, but cannot be anſwerable for eſcapes.

ABRAHAM SMITH.

☞ *King Herod* was got by Col. *Baylor*'s horſe *Fearnought*, out of a gray mare bought by Mr. *Braxton* when he was in *England*, called *Kitty Fiſher*, ſhe was got by *Cade*, a horſe of Lord *Godolphin*'s by his Lordſhips *Arabian*, which was reckoned the beſt horſe in his time for getting fine running horſes. Her dam was got by the *Cullen Arabian* out of *Bald Charlotte*, one of the fineſt mares in *England*. *Kitty Fiſher* was the property of the *Marquis* of *Granby* when ſhe was ſold, and was engaged in a ſweepſtake for 3600l. his Lordſhip being abroad his whole ſtud was ſold, and the mare bought by me at 3 years old. C. BRAXTON.

*** The publick may be aſſured that *King Herod* is one of the higheſt bred horſes this country has produced. RALPH WORMLEY.

ALL perſons indebted to the eſtate of *John Moody*, late of this city, deceaſed, are deſired to make immediate payment, and thoſe who have any demands againſt the ſaid eſtate, are deſired to bring in their accounts properly proved and receive payment.

(‖) MARGARET MOODY Adminiſtratrix.

GRANBY, a beautiful high blooded imported horſe, will cover mares this ſeaſon, at my ſtable in *Powhatan* county, at 20 Dollars the leap (the caſh to be paid down) or 30 Dollars the ſeaſon, to be paid when the mares are taken away. Good paſturage *gratis*, but I will not be anſwerable for any loſs.—*Granby* is a ſon of the *Bellſize Arabian*, from a ſhock mare; his grandam was got by *Old Cade*, a ſon of the late Lord *Godolphin*'s *Arabian*, whoſe blood has been highly eſteemed for many years, his great grandam was a *Hartly* mare, known by the ſportſmen to be the beſt in *England*. *Granby* is a fine bay, fifteen hands one inch high, with ſtrength in proportion, and equal in form and beauty to any horſe in *America*.

(4‖) JOHN HARRIS.

RUN away from the ſubſcriber on the 22d of March, *a mulatto ſlave called* MATT, *about 25 years of age, 5 feet 10 or 11 inches high, was inoculated for the ſmall pox laſt* May, *and bears the markes very plain in his face, formerly the property of Mr.* David Ruſſell, *merchant in* Blandford, *who purchaſed him of Mrs.* Jane Vobe *in* Williamſburg, *and is well known by moſt Gentleman who frequented the general courts in that city. His dreſs when he went off was a blue cloth coat, buff jacket and leather breeches, ſhoe-boots, &c. but as he carried away ſundry other clothes and is a ſenſible fellow, make no doubt but he will change his dreſs, and endeavour to paſs as a free man, he probably may have procured a paſs, as he did once before, when he eloped, in which he changed his name to* William Bird *(alias)* Matt Davenport. *His addreſs being very clever as a waiting-man, he may probably endeavour to hire himſelf to ſome Gentleman. This is to forewarn all maſters of veſſels and others from employing, or harbouring him, as they ſhall anſwer for it at their peril, Any perſon that ſecures the ſaid ſlave ſo that I get him again, ſhall receive 30 Dollars reward, and if delivered to me in* Peterſburg 100 *Dollars.*

(tf) ALEXANDER G. STRACHAN.

SIXTY DOLLARS REWARD.

RUN away from the ſubſcriber in *Mecklenburg* county, ſome time in *June* 1778, a *Virginia* born negro fellow named SUFFERER, about 31 years old; he carried with him when he went away, a country made ſhirt and breeches, a ſhort brown cloth coat turned up with white, with pewter buttons. This fellow was adverтiſed by *Charles Hanſon* of *Smithfield*, in *Auguſt* laſt: I expect he will endeavour to get to *Elizabeth City* county, where he was bred. Whoever will bring the ſaid negro to me, ſhall have the above reward.

(‖) JOHN ARMISTEAD.

WHEREAS many perſons are ſtill indebted to the late copartnerſhip of *Miller* and *Hoſkop*, for dealings at their ſtore, formerly kept at *Mount Pleaſant*, on *Mattapony*, in the county of *Spotſylvania*, and to the ſubſcriber for dealings at *Frederickſburg*, I therefore deſire (if they have common honeſty) now when money is plenty, they will pay me, if not, I muſt have recourſe to the laws of this Commonwealth, to which I am partly attached, but to which I at preſent can have no recourſe under my preſent circumſtances. And whereas ſuits were brought againſt ſeveral, ſoon after the diſſolution of the copartnerſhip, the 10th of *February*, 1773, at which time the debts became the ſole property of the ſubſcriber, and to whom no payment will be valid. Nevertheleſs, I hereby offer to acquit them of all coſts (the lawyers fees only excepted) provided they pay me the intereſt due on their reſpective balances.

(8‖) JOHN MILLER.

*** Who has for ſale, ſeveral well ſituated houſes and one lot in the flouriſhing town of *Frederickſburg*. For terms apply to me in *Port Royal*.

ONE HUNDRED DOLLALS REWERD.

DESERTED from *Williamſburg*, *Stephen Hawk* and *William Thompſon*, both *Engliſhmen*; they were enliſted on the new eſtabliſhment to ſerve in the continental army 18 months, in the room of draughts for the ſaid city. HAWK is very ſtout, five feet five inches high, has dark brown hair, round ſhoulders, a down look, and pitted with the ſmallpox, he pretends to be a ſailor, and ſaid he was on board the *Randolph* frigate when ſhe was loſt. THOMPSON is five feet ſeven inches high, has dark brown hair, a pale thin face pitted with the ſmallpox, and ſeveral red ſpots about his mouth and noſe, he is a nailor by trade and commonly wears a leather apron, very talkative when in liquor, and is well known in *Suffolk* and *Portſmouth*. Any perſon who will apprehend the ſaid deſerters and deliver them to the commanding officer of the militia of this city, ſhall have the above reward, or fifty dollars for each.

☞ *John Mitchell*, *James Waters*, *William Stone*, and *Jean Lamott*, are hereby ordered to return to the commanding officer of this place immediately, otherwiſe they will be deemed deſerters and treated accordingly

WHEREAS by a late act of Aſſembly, the diſtillation of grain is prohibited, provided publick contractors will purchaſe it at 15s. per buſhel; to put a ſtop to ſuch a pernicious practice, as well as to ſupply the magazines plentifully, I do hereby give notice, that a generous price exceeding 15s. per buſhel, will be paid for all *Indian* corn, rye, barley, wheat or ſpelſe, delivered to the commiſſary of purchaſes at *Winchester*, *Leeſburg*, *Alexandria*, *Dumfries*, *Fredericksburg*, *Staunton*, *Charlottesville*, *Hanover* town, *Richmond*, *Manchester*, *Peterſburg*, and *Smithfield*, who will likewiſe contract with thoſe who cannot deliver it, to take it from their plantations. W. AYLETT, D. C. G. P.

STRAYED or STOLEN from *Rutherford*'s ordinary, in *Goochland*, late in *January* laſt, a likely bay horſe about 14 hands high, hanging mane and ſprig tail, brand (if any) forgot, ſome ſaddle ſpots, and a ſpot of hair grows in a curling manner on both his hind legs, he is apt to chew or break his bridle, is high ſpirited and young. I will give 20 dollars for information where he may be had, and 100 on conviction of the thief if ſtolen. W. AYLETT.

THE ſubſcriber has for ſale, the hull, maſts, and yards of a new veſſel, intended for a brig, completely finiſhed and ready to launch, of the following dimenſions: 56½ feet keel ſtraight rabbit, 20 feet 2 inches beam, and 8 feet hold. She was built by *Matthew Gayle*, at *Eaſt* river warehouſe. For terms apply to the printer, or *Francis Willis*, Eſq; in *Gloucester* county. JOSEPH SMITH.

FREDERICKSBURG, *March* 15, 1779.

FOR ſale, by wholeſale or retail, blankets, coarſe broadcloths, ſailors under jackets, an aſſortment of *Iriſh* linens, cambricks, white ſheeting, britannias, checks, oſnabrugs, white and brown thread ſtockings, felt hats, mens ſhoes, womens ſtuff and leather ſhoes, red, white, and blue bunting, writing paper, white and coloured ſewing thread and ſilk, metal and twiſt buttons, ſilk and hair twiſt, pins and needles, penknives, ſnuffers, large fiſh hooks, hoes, axes, nails from 4 to 20d. brimſtone, Indigo ground, logwood, copperas, green and bohea tea, a quantity of coffee, loaf and brown ſugar, *French* rum and peach brandy; alſo ſundry medicines, *viz.* bark, rhubarb, jallup, ſalts, *Spaniſh* flies, *&c.* for tobacco, hemp, or caſh. JOHN BROWNLOW.

☞ as there is no inſpection at *Royſton*'s or *Fredericksburg* warehouſes, I will purchaſe uninſpected tobacco lying at ſaid warehouſes.

THE pariſh of *Dryſdale* in the counties of *Caroline* and *King & Queen*, is now vacant by the reſignation of the late incumbent. Any miniſter of the Church of *England*, of approved moral character and abilities as a preacher, who may incline to fill this cure, will meet with a very good glebe and a genteel ſubſcription for his ſupport therein.

THE CHURCHWARDENS.

For SALE, *in the town of* Fredericksburg,

A LOT on the main ſtreet below the market-houſe, on which is a convenient dwelling-houſe; it has two rooms with fire places below ſtairs, a large cloſet, paſſage, and genteel portico, with four rooms above, two of which have fire places; alſo a large ſtore adjoining the houſe. The lot and garden is well incloſed and has all convenient out-houſes, with two tenements. The lot and houſes were formerly the property of doctor *H. Heath*.——Likewiſe an excellent cook wench about 35 years of age, inferiour to none. It will be moſt agreeable to exchange the houſes and lot, for lands above the town. Application may be made to Mr. *James Somerville*, merchant of *Fredericksburg*, or to the ſubſcriber in *Hanover* town WILLIAM MARSHALL.

STOLEN out of the ſubſcribers houſe, on the night of the 18th inſtant (*March*) a pair of braſs barrel holſter piſtols, one of the ramrods has a worm on it, and the ſtock of one of them is cracked and has a piece of braſs let in with a dufftail on each ſide and rivited through; alſo a ſurtout coat of a light gray, with blue binding, a pair of white yarn puttings, a pair of black gray yarn wrappers, and one plaited ſpur. Whoever will bring, or give ſuch intelligence that the above articles may be got again, ſhall receive 50 dollars, and on conviction of the thief, 100 dollars. (1) THOMAS CARTWRIGHT.

EIGHTY DOLLARS REWARD

FOR apprehending the following deſerters belonging to the *Virginia* ſtate garriſon regiment of infantry now ſtationed, near *Williamſburg*, *Thomas Tyſdale*, a *Virginian*, born in *Hanover* county, about 23 years old, 5 feet 8 inches high, brown complexion, brown hair, black eyes, had on when he went away a blue regimental coat turned up with red, a red jacket and breeches. *Charles Valentine*, a mulatto, born in *Surry* county, *Virginia*, 28 years old, 5 feet 9 inches high, well made, had on the ſame uniform as above. *James Collier*, a *Virginian*, born in *King & Queen* county, 26 years of age, 5 feet 2½ inches high, fair complexion, light hair, blue eyes, and well made, had on ſame uniform as above. *John Bunns*, a *Virginian*, born in *King & Queen* county, 16 years old, 5 feet 2 inches high, light eyes and brown hair, with the ſame uniform as above. Whoever apprehends the ſaid deſerters, and conveys them to the commanding officer at *Williamſburg*, *York*, *Hampton*, or *Portſmouth* ſhall have the above reward, or 20 dollars for either of them.

Given under my hand at head quarters Williamſburg, *March* 13, 1779

(1) EDWARD WALLER, Capt. Com. 3. G. R.

ECLIPSE, the property of Col. *John Harris* of *Powhatan* county, in full perfection, ſtands at my plantation at the *Meadow Bridges*, and will cover mares the enſuing ſeaſon, at 25 dollars the leap, and 60 dollars the ſeaſon; the money for the leap to be paid at the ſtable door. Gentlemen who live at a diſtance, and put mares by the ſeaſon, will be found good paſturage, *gratis*, but I will not be anſwerable for loſſes, notwithſtanding every precaution ſhall be taken to prevent any. *Eclipſe*, now riſing 8 years old, is of a high elegant form, a beautiful bay, finely marked, full 15 hands 2 inches high, was got by *Old Fearnought*, his dam a fine imported mare, got by *Shakeſpeare*, in *England*, who was looked on to be one of the firſt bred horſes in that kingdom. (1) D. TRUEHEART.

FOR ſale, the three following STUD HORSES, *viz.* REGULUS, formerly the property of *William Fitzhugh*, Eſq; of *Chatham*, ſo well known from his performances on the turf. RANTER, an imported horſe of very high form and blood, remarkable for getting handſome horſes for the ſaddle or carriage, and full of ſpirit. AGAMEMNON, a beautiful bay colt riſing four years, he was got by the famous horſe *Apollo*, out of the noted mare *Jenny Cameron*, he is near 16 hands, finely marked, and might cover this ſeaſon. Having ſeveral fine colts coming on, is the reaſon I would part with thoſe mentioned.

WILLIAM BLACK.

☞ A negro BLACKSMITH to be hired by the month or otherwiſe, an exceeding good workman, underſtands all manner of plantation work, ſhip work, riding carraiges, *&c.* for terms apply to W. B.

THE NOTED HIGH BRED HORSE

OLD SELIM, now in high perfection, ſtands at my ſtable in *Suſſex* county, to cover mares from the 1ſt of *April*, to the 15th of *Auguſt* next, at 20l. each. Good paſturage *gratis*, and the greateſt care taken of the mares, but I will not be liable for any accidents that may happen.

(4‖) RICHARD PARKER.

THE HIGH BRED IMPORTED HORSE

OSCAR, will ſtand the enſuing ſeaſon at my plantation in *Dinwiddie* county, and will be let to mares at 25 dollars the leap, or ſixty dollars the ſeaſon; the firſt to be paid down, the laſt when the mares are taken away. Great care will be taken of the mares, and extenſive paſturage is provided, but I will not be liable for accidents. *Oſcar* will be for ſale at the cloſe of the ſeaſon, and the terms made known on application. Alſo for ſale immediately, for ready caſh or tobacco, YOUNG SNIP, a beautiful bay, riſing four years old, remarkebly ſtout and active. *Young ſnip* was got by *Oſcar*, his dam by *Old Fearnought*, his grandam by *Valiant*, and his great grandam by *Tryall*. (6‖) ROBERT TURNBULL.

PEGASUS, a fine bay, 15 hands high, ſtands at *Newmarket*, in *Caroline* county, and will cover mares the enſuing ſeaſon, at 20 dollars the leap, and 40 dollars the ſeaſon; the money to be ſent with the mares. Good paſturage will be found the mares that may be ſent a diſtance, *gratis*, but I will not be anſwerable for any eſcapes. *Pegaſus* was got by *Old Fearnought*, out of the noted mare *Jenny Diſmal*, who was imported by the late Col. *Bayler*. (5‖) JOHN HOOMES.

LIBERTY, a beautiful bay horſe, in high perfection, riſing five years old, ſtands at my houſe in *Cheſterfield* county, and will cover mares the enſuing ſeaſon at 12 dollars a leap, and 30 dollars the ſeaſon. LIBERTY was got by the noted horſe *Jack* of *Diamonds*, who was brother to *Old Fearnought*, his dam by *Babram*, his grandam by *Ariſtotle*, his great grandam by *Valiant*, and his great great grandam by *Old Triall*. Paſturage *gratis*, but will not be anſwerable for any that may get away.

(6‖) R. C. ANDERSON.

FOR ſale, a tract of very valuable LAND in the county of *Berkeley*, containing about 900 acres, 150 of which is cleared, and in good order for cropping, likewiſe 50 acres of good meadow; it has on it a ſmall houſe, barn, orchard, *&c.* with an exceeding fine ſpring, and to prevent any farther trouble, the price is 45s. ſterling an acre, or currency at the courſe of the exchange. For farther particulars inquire of

(6‖) JAMES NOURSE.

MERCURY, a beautiful formed horſe, and in great perfection, ſtands near *Peterſburg*, and will cover at 9l. the leap, and 20l. the ſeaſon; the money to be ſent with the mares. Good paſturage *gratis*, but I will not be anſwerable for eſcapes. *Mercury* was got by *Old Janus*, out of the high bred mare *Caliſta*, that was the property of the late Hon. *William Byrd*, Eſq; (6‖) JOSEPH JONES.

HECTOR, an imported hunter, upwards of 15 hands high, ſtout, ſtrong, active, and well formed, ſtands the enſuing ſeaſon at my houſe near *Blandford*, in *Prince George* county, and will cover mares at 6l. the leap, or 15l. the ſeaſon; the money to be ſent with the mares, or paid before taken away. Paſturage *gratis*, and the greateſt care will be taken of the mares, but will not be liable for eſcapes. *Hector* was imported for a genuine hunter of the ſtouteſt kind, by his Excellency Governour *Reed*, of *Pennſylvania*, his pedigree ſigned by *Richard Croſts*, Eſq; by which his ſtock was from the *Godolphin Arabian*, his dam, out of one of the fineſt mares then in *England*.

(tf) WILLIAM CALL.

FREDERICKSBURG, *March* 10, 1779.

APOLLO, will ſtand from the 1ſt of *April*, to the laſt of *June*, at *Marlbrough* (my late father's ſeat) in *Stafford* county, and cover at ſeventy dollars the ſeaſon, or twenty dollars the leap; the caſh to be paid to my ſteward there.

Apollo is full blooded, his ſire the noted *Apollo*, late the property of Col. *Alexander Spotſwood*, his dam begot by *Ranter*, now the property of Mr. *William Black*, on a *Sober John* mare, which the late Col. *John Bayler* ſold my father for full blooded. He is now riſing four years old, full 15 hands three inches high, a blood bay, and allowed by all who have ſeen him, to be a perfect horſe except his head, which is ſaid to be like the *Fearnought* breed.—*Marlbrough* is one of the firſt paſtures in *America*, a neck of upwards of 2000 acres of high land, and 500 of marſh, occupied now by thirteen hands only, formerly ſeventy odd; this circumſtance alone is ſufficient to aſſure cuſtomers, that their mares will (contrary to cuſtom) be returned in good order, and in all probability ſafely kept, to which ends, due attention will be paid, but I will not be anſwerable for any eſcapes or other accidents. (4‖) JAMES MERCER.